

**PRIVATE SECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
MADISON, WISCONSIN
NOVEMBER 16, 2000**

PRESENT: Mark Kirch, Dennis Brewer, Dejustice Coleman (arrived at 9:41), Mark Harder, Matt Elliott, Edward Byrne, James Mankowski, Shawn Smith (arrived at 9:49), William Meloy, and Mark Riesinger

EXCUSED: James Martin and Byron Bishop

STAFF PRESENT: Clete Hansen, Becky Fry, and William Black, Legal Counsel

GUESTS: Vern Gove (for James Martin)
Patrick A. Gillette – Special Operations
Gerd Hodermann – Initial Security
Michael Block – MPI

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Clete Hansen, Chair, upon confirmation that the public notice was timely given.

Clete Hansen welcomed Chief William Meloy to the Committee and asked that he introduce himself and that other committee members introduce themselves.

The Committee received a copy of Mark Riesinger's November 2, 2000, letter relating to Milwaukee City Attorney, Grant F. Langley and Assistant City Attorney, John J. Heinen's letter to Michael B. Thiel, Legislative Liaison for the American Society for Industrial Security, regarding warning lights on security vehicles; an e-mail from Byron Bishop indicating his recommendations for security officer training; and a chart relating to state licensing education and examination requirements for armed and unarmed security officers.

AGENDA

The agenda were informally approved.

MINUTES (9/14/00)

MOTION: Mark Kirch moved, seconded by Edward Byrne, to approve the minutes, as written.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Secretary Cummings' Report

Secretary Cummings was not available to address the Committee.

Bureau Director's Report

- **Roster**

A revised roster was distributed to the Committee. Noted.

- **Meeting Dates**

The next Advisory Committee meeting will be held on February 1, 2001.

MOTIONS PASSED BY THE COMMITTEE

Clete Hansen advised the Committee that the motions passed are recommendations to Secretary Cummings. Some of the Committee's earlier motions are in the department's Biennial Budget Bill that will be introduced in the Legislature early next year.

Mr. Hansen stated that a remedial legislation bill is used for less controversial issues such as the recommendation for the removal of the words "directly or indirectly" employed, from the statutes.

UPDATE ON PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Clete Hansen gave an update on the proposed rules relating to not requiring a written contract with an insurance company and the changes to the firearms rules.

Mr. Hansen reviewed the issue that an individual who wishes to be a firearms instructor under department rules, must be certified as a National Rifle Association (NRA) firearms instructor or approved by the Training and Standards Bureau as a firearms instructor. Mr. Hansen explained that a stop-gap measure has been created in a rule proposal to include people who had been certified by the NRA or approved by the Training and Standards Bureau at any time since 1995 and who have received a 6-hour refresher course from regional vocational/technical schools approved by the Training and Standards Bureau as firearms instructors, because after January 1, 2001, the Training and Standards Bureau will no longer approve as firearms instructors persons who do not provide firearms instruction to law enforcement officers.

Matt Elliott added that in order for an individual to be a certified firearms instructor under the Department of Justice Training and Standards Bureau, that person must be employed as a sworn officer of a law enforcement agency that trains, not just be an instructor of police officers.

Mr. Hansen advised that serious consideration should be given to approving an individual who has received the complete 36-hour firearms course offered by one of the vocational/technical schools. He indicated that this would require a rule change.

Mr. Hansen advised the Committee that the rule proposal includes exemptions from fingerprints for applicants for private detective and private security permits if they have a letter from their law enforcement agency indicating that the applicant is currently a law enforcement officer.

Ed Byrne suggested that the Firearms Advisory Committee invite NRA representatives to develop a course to specifically address concerns with proficiency in firearms, use of force continuum and other weapons alternatives to market to security agencies that would satisfy DRL requirements.

Shawn Smith suggested the approval of firearms instructor training courses offered by the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF PRIVATE SECURITY PERSONNEL

• Recommendations From Committee Members

Clete Hansen thanked Committee members for letters he received regarding training recommendations.

Matt Elliott distributed a November 16, 2000, letter to Mr. Hansen, outlining the Special Operations Detective Agency recommendations on permits, licensure requirements, and training levels for security officers.

The Committee discussed the pros and cons of basic training for licensed security guards and the public's perception of the role of an individual in a uniform.

William Meloy reported that the Wisconsin Police Chiefs are in support of basic training.

The Committee recommended the following items be included in basic training of security officers:

- Introduction to Security
- Standards of Conduct, Dress, and Behavior
- Legal Aspects of Security
- Report Writing
- Safety and Fire Detection
- Patrol Procedures
- When and How to Notify Public Authority
- Human Relations
- Multi-Cultural

Sexual Harassment

MOTION: Dennis Brewer moved, seconded by Jim Mankowski, to require a minimum of 8 hours to cover basic training for private security persons within the first 90-days of training, with the following contents: introduction to security; standards of conduct, dress, and behavior; legal aspects of security; report writing; safety and fire detection; patrol procedures; when and how to notify public authority; and human relations. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Edward Byrne moved, seconded by William Meloy, that at the next meeting the Committee address the issue of monitoring and reporting compliance and accountability with regards to mandatory minimum training of basic state licensed security guards. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Mark Kirch moved, seconded by Shawn Smith, to require a minimum of 8 hours of training be completed and reported to the Department of Regulation and Licensing before a conditional permit can be changed to a regular permit and a person who has a temporary permit would have to complete that training during the temporary permit period before they can receive a regular permit. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Requirements of Other States**

No discussion was held.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

- **Report of Decisions**

No discussion was held.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH LICENSEE

No discussion was held.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Shawn Smith moved, seconded by Matt Elliott, to adjourn the meeting at 11:19 a.m.